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SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S MEETING WITH VICE PREMIER WU
XUEQIAN, JULY 15, 1988

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1. JULY 15, 1988, 11:50 A.M.-2:00 P.M., FANGSHAN
RESTAURANT, BEIHAI PARK, BEIJING, PRC.

3. SUMMARY: VICE PREMIER WU EXPLAINED THAT HIS CURRENT RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE SUPERVISION OF THE FOREIGN MINISTRY AND DEVELOPMENT OF TOURISM. WU SAID BEIJING EXPECTS 300-400,000 VISITORS TO THE MAINLAND FROM TAIWAN THIS YEAR. HE EXPRESSED SATISFACTION WITH THIS INCREASED CONTACT ACROSS THE STRAITS, WHICH BEIJING WOULD ALLOW TO DEVELOP SLOWLY AND SURELY. WU ALSO SPOKE POSITIVELY OF THE GREAT INCREASE IN SOUTH KOREAN TOURISTS VISITING CHINA.

4. THE SECRETARY IN HIS REMARKS HIGHLIGHTED THE SENSE OF FRIENDSHIP AND CONTINUITY IN THE RELATIONSHIP. THE SECRETARY CITED THE LONG TRADITION OF FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN AMERICA AND CHINA AND EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE IN THE CONTINUITY OF U.S. POLICY TOWARD CHINA, WHICH ENJOYS BROAD BIPARTISAN SUPPORT. END SUMMARY.

5. VICE PREMIER WU'S LUNCHEON FOR THE SECRETARY BEGAN WITH A TWENTY-MINUTE MEETING IN A ROOM SEPARATE FROM THE BANQUET HALL. THE SECRETARY BEGAN BY CONGRATULATING WU ON HIS PROMOTION FROM FOREIGN MINISTER TO VICE PREMIER. HE ASKED WU HOW HIS NEW POSITION RELATED TO THE FOREIGN MINISTRY. WU REPLIED THAT HE WAS IN CHARGE OF THE FOREIGN MINISTRY BUT FOREIGN MINISTER QIANG HANDLED DAY-TO-DAY DIPLOMATIC AFFAIRS. WU SAID HE HAD ACQUIRED AN ADDITIONAL RESPONSIBILITY--TO DEVELOP TOURISM. THE SECRETARY OBSERVED THAT CHINA OFFERED A GREAT DEAL FOR PEOPLE

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TO SEE AND DO. WU SAID WHILE THAT WAS TRUE, CHINA
WAS FAR FROM EUROPE AND THE U.S. THERE WOULD BE
MILLIONS OF VISITORS THIS YEAR, INCLUDING MORE FROM
TAIWAN THAN EXPECTED.

6. THE SECRETARY RECALLED THAT IN SHANGHAI LAST YEAR
HE HAD STATED THAT THE U.S. TOOK A POSITIVE VIEW OF
THE INCREASED INTERACTION ACROSS THE TAIWAN STRAITS.
WU SAID ALTHOUGH POSTAL, SEA AND AIR LINKS STILL DO
NOT EXIST WITH TAIWAN, FOR ALL PRACTICAL PURPOSES,
GREATER CONTACT HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED. THIS YEAR,
THEY EXPECTED 300-400,000 VISITORS FROM TAIWAN. THE
SECRETARY ASKED IF TAIWAN HAS INVITED VISITORS FROM
THE MAINLAND. WU REPLIED THAT THE AUTHORITIES ON
TAIWAN HAVE AGREED TO SOME FAMILY VISITS BY PEOPLE
FROM THE MAINLAND, BUT THAT ISSUE IS STILL NOT REALLY
ON TAIWAN'S AGENDA. FROM THE POINT OF VIEW OF
BEIJING, THE CONTACT WITH TAIWAN COULD DEVELOP SLOWLY
AND SURELY. THE SECRETARY COMMENTED THAT THE CHINESE
VIEW OF HISTORY HAS A LONG PERSPECTIVE TO IT.

7. WU AGREED THAT AMERICANS WERE MORE IMPATIENT THAN
CHINESE. HE OBSERVED THAT RUSSIANS ALSO SEEMED TO BE
IMPATIENT. AT THE SOVIET PARTY CONFERENCE, GORBACHEV
SEEMED TO BE IN CONTROL BUT ALSO IN A HURRY. THE
SECRETARY SAID THAT WAS NO DOUBT TRUE. GORBACHEV
ALSO HAS A LOT TO DO.

8. WU ENDED THE INFORMAL MEETING BY EXPRESSING
REGRET THAT THE SECRETARY'S VISIT TO BEIJING WAS SO
SHORT AND INVITING THE SECRETARY AND MRS. SHULTZ TO
RETURN FOR A LONGER VISIT.

9. AFTER THE PARTY MOVED TO THE BANQUET HALL, VICE
PREMIER WU AND THE SECRETARY OFFERED WARM AND
PERSONAL TOASTS PUNCTUATED WITH HUMOR. THE VICE
PREMIER'S POINTS WERE PRIMARILY RETROSPECTIVE, NOTING
THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS WHICH HE AND THE SECRETARY HAD
ACHIEVED TOGETHER IN THEIR LARGELY OVERLAPPING SIX
YEARS IN OFFICE. BY CONSISTENTLY APPROACHING THEIR
NEARLY ANNUAL DISCUSSIONS FROM A LONG-TERM
PERSPECTIVE, THEY HAD SUCCEEDED IN "BRINGING ABOUT
THE STEADY DEVELOPMENT OF U.S.-CHINA RELATIONS." THE
VICE PREMIER NOTED THAT THE PROBLEMS THAT HAD
OCCURRED IN THE BILATERAL RELATIONSHIP WERE NATURAL
AND THAT, DESPITE THESE, THE RELATIONSHIP HAD
DEVELOPED SMOOTHLY, FOR WHICH HE EXPRESSED HIS
PERSONAL SATISFACTION AND THAT OF THE CHINESE
GOVERNMENT.

10. VICE PREMIER WU STATED THAT THIS SUCCESS WAS

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INSEPARABLE FROM THE SECRETARY'S OWN EFFORTS AND UNDERSCORED TWO POINTS. FIRST, THAT HE WAS "DEEPLY STRUCK" BY THE FACT THAT WHEN BIG DIFFERENCES EMERGED BETWEEN THE U.S. AND CHINA, THE SECRETARY HAD ALWAYS LISTENED WITH PATIENCE WHEN CHINA EXPLAINED ITS POSITION. SECOND WAS HIS GRATITUDE THAT THE SECRETARY HAD ALWAYS ATTACHED GREAT IMPORTANCE TO U.S.-CHINA RELATIONS. HE WISHED TO PAY TRIBUTE TO THAT AS THE SECRETARY PREPARED TO LEAVE OFFICE.

11. ON THE LIGHTER SIDE, THE VICE PREMIER REMINISCED ABOUT THE SECRETARY'S FIRST VISIT TO BEIJING IN 1983, AND HOW THE SECRETARY HAD FOUND "A LITTLE BIT OF CALIFORNIA" DURING THAT VISIT, AT THE JIANGUO HOTEL WHERE HE DINED WITH U.S. BUSINESSMEN. WU NOTED THAT THE DISHES BEING SERVED AT THE LUNCHEON HE WAS HOSTING, WHICH WERE PREPARED AND SERVED ACCORDING TO OLD IMPERIAL RECIPES, DID NOT COMPARE WITH THE SECRETARY'S STEAKS. WU'S FONDEST RECOLLECTION FROM HIS LAST TRIP TO THE U.S. WAS OF THE BARBECUE IN WASHINGTON EARLIER THIS YEAR AT WHICH THE SECRETARY PERSONALLY "ROLLED UP HIS SLEEVES" TO INTRODUCE HIM TO BEEF STEAKS.

12. VICE PREMIER WU CLOSED BY ASSURING THE SECRETARY THAT HE PERSONALLY AND THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT WOULD CONTINUE THEIR EFFORTS TO FURTHER DEVELOP U.S.-CHINA RELATIONS AND ATTAIN EVEN GREATER ACHIEVEMENTS. HE TOASTED THE FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN THEMSELVES, THE TWO GOVERNMENTS, AND THE TWO PEOPLES.

13. THE SECRETARY RESPONDED BY EMPHASIZING TWO THEMES: FRIENDSHIP AND CONTINUITY. HE NOTED THAT BETWEEN HIM AND THE VICE PREMIER, AS WELL AS BETWEEN LARGE NUMBERS OF CHINESE AND AMERICANS, WERE FRIENDSHIP, MUTUAL RESPECT, A DESIRE TO LEARN FROM EACH OTHER, AND AN ABILITY TO GET ALONG WITH EACH OTHER. THAT FRIENDSHIP GENERATES THE CONFIDENCE THAT, IF PROBLEMS ARISE, "I KNOW THAT'S MY FRIEND, I'LL FIND OUT WHAT HAPPENED AND WE CAN WORK IT OUT, AND WE CAN HAVE SOME FUN AS WE GO ALONG." FRIENDSHIP ALSO MEANS THE OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE FUN BARBECUING STEAKS.

14. NOTING THE LONG FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN THE AMERICAN AND CHINESE PEOPLES, THE SECRETARY POINTED OUT THAT LEADERSHIP IS CHANGING IN BOTH OUR COUNTRIES. THE SECRETARY WENT ON TO ASSURE THE VICE PREMIER THAT REGARDLESS OF THE OUTCOME OF THE ELECTION PROCESS, THERE WOULD BE CONTINUITY IN RELATIONS AND IN U.S. ATTITUDES TOWARD CHINA. HIS CONFIDENCE WAS BASED

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ON THE BROAD BILATERAL SUPPORT IN CONGRESS AND
IN THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH FOR U.S. POLICY TOWARD
CHINA. THE SECRETARY CLOSED BY TOASTING
FRIENDSHIP AND THE CONTINUITY OF THE CONSTRUCTIVE
U.S.-CHINA RELATIONSHIP.

15. DURING THE CONVERSATION AT THE SECRETARY'S
TABLE, WU OBSERVED THAT JAPAN NOW RANKS NUMBER ONE IN
TOURISTS VISITING CHINA, WITH THE U.S. IN SECOND
PLACE. WU NOTED THAT THE NUMBER OF TOURISTS FROM
SOUTH KOREA IS GROWING RAPIDLY, AND HE WOULD NOT BE
SURPRISED TO SEE SOUTH KOREANS SOON RANK FIRST AMONG
FOREIGN TOURISTS IN CHINA. WU COMMENTED THAT THIS
KOREAN TOURISM IS DEVELOPING THROUGH NON-GOVERNMENTAL
CHANNELS, BUT IT WAS WELCOMED BY CHINA.

16. U.S. PARTICIPANTS: SECRETARY SHULTZ, MRS.
SHULTZ, AMBASSADOR LORD, MRS. LORD, UNDER SECRETARY
WALLIS, ASSISTANT SECRETARY SIGUR, ASSISTANT
SECRETARY REDMAN, DIRECTOR SOLOMON, DEPUTY ASSISTANT
SECRETARY ROY, DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY
SCHLOSSBERG, DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY (DEFENSE)
JACKSON, NSC REPRESENTATIVE PAAL, DCM TOMSEN, MRS.
TONSEN, POLCOUNSELOR BURGHARDT, POLMILOFF CEURVORST
AND SCIOFF PERROLLE (NOTETAKERS), AND INTERPRETER JIM
BROWN.

17. CHINESE PARTICIPANTS: VICE PREMIER WU XUEQIAN,
BI LING (WIFE OF WU); VICE FOREIGN MINISTER ZHU
QIZHEN; WANG YUDE, WIFE OF ZHU QIZHEN; AMBASSADOR HAN
XU, GE YIYUN, WIFE OF HAN; ASSISTANT MINISTER LIU
HUAQIU; DIRECTOR OF PROTOCOL WU MINGLIAN; DEPUTY
DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF AFFAIRS OF THE AMERICAS AND
OCEANIAN (AAO) ZHA PEIXIN; DIVISION CHIEF (AAO) MA
ZHENGANG; DEPUTY DIVISION CHIEF (AAO) LIAN ZHENGBAO;
MR. XIE (AAO); DEPUTY DIVISION CHIEF OF PROTOCOL
ZHANG ZHENXIONG; PROTOCOL OFFICER YANG HEXIONG;
SECURITY OFFICER DONG LAIYU; PHOTOGRAPHER NIE YING;
INTERPRETERS YANG JIECHI, ZHU HONGYING, AND LIU
YADONG.

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